Atty. Dkt. No. 053466-0299

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Akihiro FUNAKOSHI et al.

Title:

A PREVENTIVE OR THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR PANCREATITIS COMPRISING IL-6 ANTAGONIST AS AN ACTIVE INGREDIENT

Appl. No.:

09/762,550

Filing Date:

2/9/2001

Examiner:

Lorraine Spector

Art Unit:

1647

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

**Enclosed are:** 

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[X] Amendment/Reply.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	]	Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):			ı			\$790.00	=	\$790.00
Total Claims:	13	-	39	= 0	x	\$18.00	_	\$0.00
Independents	3	-	9	= 0	x	\$88.00	=	\$0.00
	First presen	tation o	of any Multip	ole Dependent Claims:	+	\$300.00	=	\$0.00
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[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	\$110.00 0	Extension for response filed within the first month:
\$430.00	\$430.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:
\$0.00	\$980.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:
\$0.00	\$1,530.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:
\$0.00	\$2,080.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:
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\$1220.00	N FEE TOTAL:	CLAIMS AND EXTEN
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\$0.00	F.R. § 1.103(c)	Suspension of action requested under
\$1220.00	TOTAL FEE:	

- [X] Check No. 39076 in the amount of \$1,220.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date <u>Od. 21,2004</u>

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